GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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RECOVERY OF DUES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether NDMC has sought Central Government`s intervention for recovery of their dues from embassies, State Government buildings and Central Government Departments on account of electricity, water and property tax;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith amount involved therein; and

(c) the decision taken by the Government at the request of NDMC and the steps to be taken by the Government for the early recovery of dues from the defaulters?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a) to (c): New Delhi Municipal Council have not specifically sought the intervention of the Central Government in the matter of recovery of dues on account of electricity and water charges outstanding against the Embassies and Central/State Government buildings. These properties are also exempt from payment of property tax. However, NDMC had made a proposal for levy of property tax on Embassies which was not agreed to on the ground that levy of such tax with respect to the Embassies is not permissible under international conventions.